Some of the important steps taken to reduce accidents are:

(i) induction of technical devices to aid the human element;

(ii) monitoring the performance of staff of critical safety categories such as drivers, guards, station masters, etc.;

(iii) intensive training of staff in operational categories;

(iv) intensive and frequent inspections of sensitive installations;

(v) surprise checks against carriage of inflammable/explosive material in passenger trains; and

(vi) provision of whistle board, speed breakers and road signs at the approaches of unmanned level crossings and improving visibility for road users and train drivers.

Fly over bridges in Andhra Pradesh

4540. DR. YELAMANCHILI SIVAJI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) the fly over bridges that are under construction in Andhra Pradesh; and

(b) what are the proposals that are pending for clearance?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Twenty one Road Overbridges at the following places in Andhra Pradesh are approved works in 1992-93 Works Programme of Railways and are under different stages of construction:—

(1) Bibinagar, (2) Gudur, (3) Vikarabad, (4) Bhimavaram, (5) Between Nidadavole and Brahmanagudam, (6) Dabirpura, (7) Between Jangaon and Pembarti stations, (8) Kavali, (9) Nandyal, (10) Mahabubnagar, (11) Between Timmapur and Shadnagar, (12) Palakole, (13) Ajitsingh Nagar, (14) Ghatkesar, (15) Fathenagar, (16) Adikmet near Jamai Osmania station, (17) Mancherial and Peddampet, (18) Anakapalli and Thadi, (19) Between Thadi and Duvvada, (20) Between Umdanagar and Timmapur, (21) Kazipet.

(b) There are 5 such proposals:- (1) Falaknuma, (2) Alwala, (3) Kovvur, (4) Chirala, (5) Narasaraopet.

Transportation of coal by wagons for glass manufacturing units

4541. SHRI SATYA PRAKASH MALAVIYA:

SHRI ISH DUTT YADAV:

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether any guidelines for transportation of coal by wagons for glass manufacturing Units has been made;

(b) if so, what are the basis of regulating the movements of wagons and norms devised for it;

(c) what is the present allotment position of wagons for movement of coal to Glass Manufacturing Units of Ferozabad and other industries in Uttar Pradesh stating industry-wise position of backlog if any;

(d) whether the Ministry have discretionary powers to allot wagons to few glass industries on priority basis;

(e) if so, what are the norms for such out-of-turn allotment of wagons; and

(f) the number of glass manufacturing Units which have been allotted wagons on priority basis?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Allotment and supply of wagons for loading of coal is made on the basis of sponsorships made by the sponsoring authorities and as per the offers given by the collieries.

(c) Position of programmes, offers made by the collieries and allotment of steam coal rakes to GIS/POT units in

Uttar Pradesh during the years 1990, 1991 & 1992 is as under:

(In rakes)

Year	Firozabad			Khurja			Other POT/GLS		
	Prg.	Off.	Allt.	Prg.	Off.	Allt.	Prg.	Off.	Allt.
1990	212	88	88	107	36	36	196	52	52
1991	223	69	69	109	20	20	186	65	65
1992 (upto July'92)	154	65	65	70	30	30	123	38	38

As on 31.7.1992 there was a backlog of 1171 rakes of steam coal pending allotment for glass and pottery priority from Raniganj coal field. This was due to less offer by the collieries.

(d) and (e) Out of turn allotments are extremely rare and exceptional and are decided on the merit of the case.

(f) Only five glass manufacturing units have been given out-of-turn allotments during 1991-92 and in 1992-93 (upto July).

Computerised man-power planning information system

4542. SHRI MOHAMMAD AFZAL *alias* MEEM AFZAL: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Railways have proposed for a Computerised man-power planning information system;

(b) whether the same is an exercise of the overall restructuring programme; and

(c) if so, what are the targetted areas thereunder?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

गुजरात में परिवर्तन के लिए एक आसान की प्रणाली

4543. श्री राजूभाई ए० परमार : क्या रेल मंत्री 15 जुलाई, 1992 को राज्य सभा में अतारांकित प्रश्न स० 709 के दिए गए उत्तर को देखेंगे और यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि गुजरात में उन बकाया लाइनों का ब्यौरा क्या है जिन्हें दूसरे चरण में, परिवर्तन के लिए लिया जायेगा ?

रेल मंत्रालय में राज्य मंत्री (श्री मल्लिकार्जुन) : आसान परिवर्तन की कार्य योजना के दूसरे चरण में शामिल की जाने वाली लाइनों को अंतिम रूप नहीं दिया गया है।

Darjeeling Himalayan Railway

4544. SHRI RATNA BAHADUR RAI: Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware regarding the frequent landslides on the tracks of Darjeeling Himalayan Railway and suspension of the movement of trains from Siliguri to Darjeeling; and

(b) if so, what steps are being taken for an early resumption of the movement of the D.H.R.?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI MALLIKARJUN): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Work is in progress on priority basis at all locations where heavy and minor slips have occurred, due to unusually heavy rainfall, for quick restoration of the line. However, the work is being hampered due to heavy rains and occasional bandhs in the area.